12. Affordable Housing

The proposed annexation area is currently developed with commercial structures/existing commercial uses and no new development is proposed as part of this application. Affordable housing would be required if new development is proposed in the future. Per the City's Inclusionary Housing Requirement (Zoning Regulations Chapter 17.91), any new commercial projects that include over 2,500 square feet of floor area must provide affordable housing or pay in-lieu fees. The requirement is two affordable dwelling units per acre of land, or payment of an in-lieu fee equal to 5% of building valuation. The City uses the fees collected for affordable housing projects that meet eligibility criteria as specified by Council resolution.